

FISCAL NOTE

SB 2423 - HB 3105

February 5, 2002

SUMMARY OF BILL: Authorizes a county having a population of not less than 319,000 nor more than 320,000 according to the 1980 or any subsequent federal census (Knox County) upon the filing of suits to enforce a tax lien to impose an additional penalty of 20% on all delinquent land taxes that accrue. Specifies that such penalty shall be devoted to the expense of prosecuting the suits. Current law limits the penalty to 10% except in counties where otherwise specified.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase Local Govt. Revenues - Exceeds \$300,000

Estimate assumes:

- the total cumulative penalty and interest for tax year 2000 in Knox County was approximately \$750,000.
- approximately half of that \$750,000 was the penalty portion.
- doubling the penalty from 10% to 20% would result in an increase in revenues estimated to exceed \$300,000.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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